

DECLARES PEOPLE LIVING TOO FAST

President Makes Several Addresses During Busy Day in New York.

LAWLESS BUSINESS PLAYED

Taft Declares Against Opening of Treasury for Building Great Highways.

New York, December 20.—President Taft, left New York at midnight to return to the White House, after thirty busy hours in New York, declaring in the last of several addresses which he made that one of the chief faults of this age is that people are living too fast.

The President's last speech was before the New York Young Republican Club at a dinner given in his honor. He listened attentively to a stirring address by Senator Borah, with language which the President later described as having great force, imagery and poetry. Senator Borah flayed "lawless big business." The President in his speech agreed with Senator Borah that the country had defects, and that it was the business of the people to overcome them.

"The chief of its defects," he said, "is the loss somewhat of that respect for law, which we inherited from across the sea. We have struggled with conditions and in prosperity have met harder tests than the Puritan met. It is true we do not hold the law as sacred as we should. I don't think we hold anything quite as sacred as we should."

The President pointed to the tendency of the age toward faster living and pleasure, and from this turned to the necessity of improvement of criminal procedure. "Whatever the machinery is, it does not have the backing of public opinion," he said.

"So long as we have head lines that make heroes of murderers we are not going to have the improvement we need."

The President expressed his profound belief in party, and said nothing "has come in the way of real improvement in the history of our country that cannot be traced to party organization. Effective reform can be made but in two ways—either inside the party or by the breaking up of the old party and the founding of a new. I still have hope for the redemption of the Republican party."

Borah's Address. Senator William E. Borah, of Idaho, made an address that breathed fire in every word for "Lawless Big Business," and little violators of the law as well.

He drew a significant comparison between the McNamaras, the confessed dynamiters, and the old Standard Oil and Tobacco companies. "To have their worthless lives," he said, referring to the dynamiters, "they entered pleas of guilty, insisting that they did it all for principle, and expect an astonished world to accept their whining apologies."

"There is another crime record which we will, in passing, notice also. It is up in many volumes you will find the full record of two of the late noted criminals. It is a tale twice told, of selfishness and greed, extortion and lawlessness. The plea of justification is not unlike the plea of the planters of dynamite, for arms and money, and clearly in violation of law and the rights of the public, it is claimed nevertheless that it was all done in the interest of business growth and industrial progress."

"This is the best plea and the only plea that twentieth century business can furnish—all that could be said by those so rarely gifted and richly endowed with this world's goods and intellectual power, and of whom the government and humanity have a right to expect so much."

Respect and enforcement of the law was one of the keynote of Senator Borah's address. Obsequies to the law, he said, was the bedrock on which powerful governments are built, and he believed this a time when a political party could afford to make it a cardinal tenet of its faith. In no other first-rate nation, he said, is law so disregarded as in the United States.

Life Is Insecure.

"There is no place where life is so insecure against bomb or bullet, where criminal laws are so ineffectively enforced, where corruption is so little condemned in public opinion, and where defiance of law in the highest walks of business life so generally prevails. To leave law unenforced, to cultivate a disregard for its obligations, is but to follow the ground so that in after years there will be no law for the poor and another for the rich," said Mr. Borah.

He added that the McNamara cases and the trust cases were strong and uncontroverted evidence of what is fast becoming a national disease. He said he had no sympathy with the prosecution of business men who erred unknowingly.

"I refer, alone," he said, "to that class who sit in their offices with trained lawyers and plan how they may evade the law and its penalties. If a man lies in wait for his adversary and slays him, unwarned, will he be a defense for his lawyer to say to the court that his client has always had difficulty in

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"You will hear often in these days that certain men are engaged in experimenting with new plans of government and dangerous expedients. We do not need a new faith; we need the simplicity, the directness and self-surrender of the old. We do not need a new gospel; we need rather to preach the creed of Washington and Jefferson and Jackson and Lincoln with a tongue of fire throughout the land. We need to have constitutional morality declared, as was the gospel of old, to the rich and the poor."

Guest of Automobile Club. President Taft joined with 1,500 members and guests of the Automobile Club of America at their banquet in the Waldorf-Astoria to-night, and talking to men whose devotion to motoring makes the good roads question of especial interest to them, declared himself emphatically against the opening of the national treasury for the building of great highways.

The President then expressed his appreciation of the value of the automobile in the development of friendly relations between section and section and even between nation and nation.

Raising objections to the policy advocated of the Federal government entered extensively into road-making. Mr. Taft said there was no doubt that the government had the power, but he added, "I venture to question the wisdom of opening the national treasury for money to use that way."

Admitting that there might be wisdom in building Federal roads, the difficult problem of who was to care for them was brought to the fore, he said. The State and the neighborhood acting as a unit were the proper sources to look to for both the building and the maintenance of proper highways. Once started on a scheme of national roads, as well as of waterways development, he said, there would be no end to the expense likely to be demanded by forty-eight States, each wanting its share.

Classing the national highways proposition "as a dangerous experiment," he added: "I would suggest great delay and deliberation before

we open the national treasury to such a purpose."

Settlement House for Blind. With a silver trowel handed to him by a blind woman, the President laid the corner-stone this afternoon of the first settlement house in the world for the blind. A crowd of several thousands witnessed the ceremonies.

"My dearest hope is that the structure will be typical of the duties which we who have sight owe to those who have not to aid and succor them in their difficult journey through life," said the President.

Miss Winnifrede Holt, secretary of the New York Association for the Blind, through whose efforts the proposed building has been made possible; Joseph E. Choate, Governor Dix and others participated in the ceremonies. The President later visited a well-known jewelry store to do a little holiday Christmas shopping. The articles he purchased, it is understood, were intended for members of his immediate family.

THE WEATHER.

Forecast: For Virginia—Rain and warmer Thursday; Friday rain; moderate to brisk east winds.
For North Carolina—Rain Thursday; generally fair.

Special Local Data for Yesterday.
12 noon temperature 35
Maximum temperature up to 8 39
Minimum temperature down to 8 27
P. M. temperature 38
Normal temperature 34
Deficiency in temperature 4
Deficiency in temperature since 6 A. M. 113
Accum. deficiency in temperature since January 1 6.48
Deficiency in rainfall since March 1 6.75
Local Observation 8 P. M. Yesterday.
Temperature 36
Humidity 71
Wind-direction N. E.
Wind-velocity 11
Weather Cloudy

CONDITIONS IN IMPORTANT CITIES.
(At 8 P. M. Eastern Standard Time.)
Place Ther. Bar. Wind. Weather.
Ashville 38 30 30 Rain
Atlanta 34 30 34 Rain
Boston 38 30 24 P. cloudy
Buffalo 28 31 24 Clear
Calgary 26 32 26 Clear
Chicago 38 38 24 P. cloudy
Denver 24 31 22 Clear
Duluth 32 32 20 Cloudy
Houston 54 54 18 Cloudy
Jacksonville 54 54 14 Cloudy
Kansas City 40 40 32 Rain
Louisville 40 42 32 Cloudy
Montgomery 42 39 24 Clear
New Orleans 62 70 58 Rain
New York 34 36 24 Clear
Norfolk 44 44 36 Cloudy
Oklahoma 32 32 24 Clear
Pittsburgh 38 40 26 Cloudy
Raleigh 38 44 26 Rain
St. Louis 40 40 36 Rain
Tulsa 32 32 24 Clear
Washington 38 38 22 P. cloudy
Winnipeg 24 28 24 Cloudy
Wytheville 24 30 24 Cloudy

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

December 21, 1911.
HIGH-TIDE.
Sun rises 7:22 Morning 5:22
Sun sets 4:54 Evening 6:19

LORD'S SON ABOUT TO SUE HIS WIFE

British Nobles in Divorce Scandal—Names Not Made Public.

London, December 20.—One of the most sensational divorce cases tried in the English courts in years will, it is expected, come up for hearing early in the new year.

The plaintiff is the second son of the proprietor of one of the leading London newspapers, who was created a baron by King Edward in 1903, and whose eldest son is a member of Parliament while the correspondent is a member of the peerage, having succeeded his father, the first baron, eleven years ago.

The correspondent is one of the best known men in London society. He was a lord in waiting to King Edward for five years, and on King Edward's death was continued in the same post by King George until a year or so ago, when he resigned because, it is said, the King had heard reports connecting his name with that of the lady in the case.

She is the daughter of a baronet who held the rank of lieutenant-colonel in a Guards regiment. At the time of her marriage she was only nineteen years of age, while her husband, who is an honorary lieutenant-colonel in the army, and who served with distinction in South Africa, was twenty-three. She was considered one of the most beautiful girls of her day. Her family strongly objected to the marriage on account of her youth, but the dashing soldier overcame all obstacles. The woman is now forty-three years of age and has four children.

The co-respondent is about five years younger. His family is of ancient lineage, though the barony he holds is of relatively recent creation. One of the chief dual families of Scotland is a descendant of a younger branch of his family, which has played important roles in social and political life. The present baron is a direct descendant of one of the most famous women in the world's history, owing to her relations with England's greatest admiral.

Every effort is being made to preserve secrecy about the case, and although it is understood to be down for an early hearing, it has been kept out of the official list, and as there is still considered to be some possibility of an arrangement being come to, the names are not given.

Such a possibility, however, is remote, for the respondent left her husband some time ago and is now traveling in the far East, while the co-respondent sailed from England a few days ago in order to join her.

No attempt will be made to defend the case, and after the decree nisi is made, absolute it is arranged that the couple will marry immediately.

Before leaving England the co-respondent insured his life heavily in the woman's favor, and in case of his death before marriage she would be amply provided for.

King George is greatly distressed by the affair, seeing that one of the parties concerned was for a period a prominent member of the royal household and is, besides, being a member of the peerage, a Knight of the Order of the Thistle. The proposed action was brought to the attention of the King before he sailed for India, and it is said that he arranged that it should be tried while he was absent, so that he should not be called as witness. This, however, appears an unlikely proceeding in any event.

TELLS POPE GOOD-BY

Pontiff, in Farewell Audience, Refers to His Love for America.

Rome, December 20.—The Pope received Cardinal O'Connell in a farewell audience yesterday. The Pontiff expressed his love for America, and told the cardinal he was sure he had done the wisest thing for Catholicism in America by granting three new cardinals to that country. He said he knew the great work done by the Federation of Catholic Societies and that he heartily approved of it. He has accounts of the work of the federation read to him from "The Boston Pilot," which, he said, had become an authoritative journal in Rome and was read by the cardinals, among them Cardinal Martini, Prefect of the Congregation of Rites and Chamberlain of the Sacred College.

The Pontiff declared that the last pastoral letter of Cardinal O'Connell was admirable. He said also that it was a pleasure to labor in a country where the relations between all parties and sects were so good.

The Pope inquired as to Cardinal O'Connell's plans, and wished him health, peace and success. He invited him to return soon to Rome, and imparted the apostolic blessing to him and to the faithful in his diocese. Cardinal O'Connell then visited Cardinal Merry del Val, with whom he stayed about half an hour, conferring on matters connected with the diocese of Boston. Cardinal Merry del Val expressed regret at the departure of the latter, but remarked that the latter had enjoyed little rest during his sojourn here.

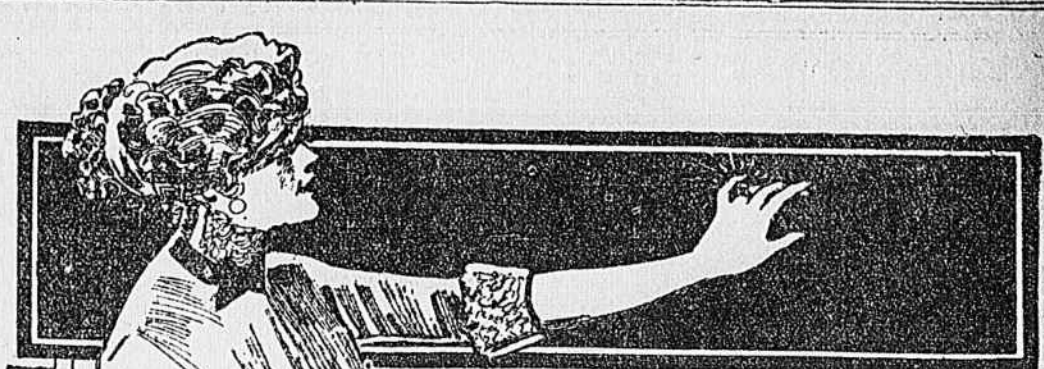
Lockout Is Threatened. Liverpool, December 20.—A lockout, affecting 100,000 cotton operatives is threatened on Christmas Day. The trouble between the employers and the workers has arisen over the question of employment of non-unionists. The employers threaten to retaliate by a general lockout.

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WINS HER PLEA FOR SEPARATION

French Court Grants Petition Presented by Mme. Langevin.

Paris, December 20.—The petition for a separation from her husband, presented in the divorce suit here by Mme. Langevin, was granted to-day.

The text of the judge's decision does not mention the name of Mme. Curie, but states that the separation is granted to Mme. Langevin because Prof. Langevin had abandoned the conjugal domicile "under conditions injurious for his wife," and also because it appears from the documents submitted to the court that Prof. Langevin had been guilty of "grave injuries" toward his wife.

This allusion to documents refers to correspondence submitted by Maitre Coucy on behalf of Mme. Langevin, and which is alleged to have passed between Mme. Curie and Prof. Langevin. Maitre Coucy said: "We are entirely satisfied on every point and therefore withdraw the criminal complaint entered against Prof. Langevin and Mme. Curie."

Mme. Langevin asked a separation from her husband, a professor of general and experimental physics at the College of France, on account of his alleged relations with Mme. Curie, the famous scientist. The suit caused a great sensation throughout France, and was the occasion for several duels between partisans of one or another of the persons principally concerned.

The court also decided that the interests of the four children demand that they should be given into the custody of the mother. The father is granted the right to direct the education of the children, comprising two sons and two daughters, and Mme. Langevin did not oppose this. The court also fixes the periods at which the father may see his children, who will divide their vacations from school between the father and the mother.

A notary is appointed by the court to liquidate and divide the property of the Langevin family. An order also has been made on Professor Langevin to pay \$160 monthly toward the support of his wife, and he is also condemned to pay the costs of the suit. The lawyers representing the two parties, together with a brother of Mme. Langevin and Mme. Langevin herself, were the only other interested persons present when judgment was pronounced.

STRIKE OF ENGLISH DOCTORS

2,000 Meet and Decide to Boycott Lloyd-George's Insurance Scheme.
London, December 20.—A mass-meeting of 2,000 doctors from all parts of the United Kingdom in Queen's hall yesterday afternoon decided on a strike against Chancellor of the Exchequer Lloyd-George's insurance scheme.

Sir Victor Horsley, a member of the Council of the British Medical Association, which the doctors charge with sacrificing their interests owing to the blandishments of Mr. Lloyd-George, was roundly hissed. He was denounced as a traitor when he tried to defend the action of the council in promising

Mr. Lloyd-George that the doctors of the United Kingdom would share the success of his measure.

The meeting passed a resolution in favor of a vigorous boycott of Mr. Lloyd-George's scheme, and declaring that the doctors would not treat the poor under its provisions and the demands of the medical profession were granted. There were only six dissensions.

MAINE RELICS GUARDED

No Specimens to Be Removed From Wreck Even for Testing.

Washington, December 19.—The government is so determined that no part of the old battleship Maine shall be used by showmen or for advertising that the War Department has refused to allow manufacturers of fixtures and fittings to remove specimens from the wreck for the purpose of making tests of the effects on the structural parts of the ship of the effects of water.

The deficiency bill, now pending in Congress, would authorize gifts of souvenirs of the ship to municipalities and patriotic societies. The Spanish War veterans favor the manufacture of medals from the copper of the wreck.

ENGAGEMENT IS SEVERE

Italians Encounter Turks, Who Are Forced to Retreat.

Tripoli, December 20.—A small force of Italians pushed out from Ainza yesterday to reconnoitre. They soon encountered the Turks, who retreated after an engagement. The Italians remained on the ground until this morning, when they returned to Ainza. The engagement was very severe. Colonel Fara, the Italian commander, managed to hold out, in spite of the ceaseless attacks by the Turks, which were kept up throughout the night. At daybreak the enemy withdrew. The Italian loss is officially given as six killed and seventy-eight wounded.

CHRISTMAS PILGRIMAGE OF BEGGARS IN NEW YORK

New York, December 20.—A police bulletin to-day warns the New York public that the annual Christmas pilgrimage of beggars is coming to town, some in rags and some in tugs and some in Pullman cars. A special de-

tail of plain clothes men has been assigned to the task of weeding out the unworthy professional mendicants who count on reaping a harvest of several hundred dollars apiece from the generous holiday crowds. The police list of suspicious characters who have arrived in the city during the past few days includes such cognomens as "The Allentown Kid," "Leon, the Crust-Thrower," and "Lighthouse Louis."

MEDAL COMES TOO LATE

Recognition of Bravery Arrives After Death of Former Sailor.

New York, December 20.—An hour after John B. O'Brien, formerly a sailor on the battleship Connecticut, fell down a flight of stairs at his home to-day and broke his neck, a special delivery package was delivered at the door. The package contained a medal awarded O'Brien by the Navy Department for bravery in rescue work after the Messina earthquake of 1908. O'Brien was detailed to this work when the American ships arrived at Messina, and it is recorded that it was he who recovered the bodies of Consul Arthur S. Cheney and his wife from the ruins of the consulate. He retired from the navy shortly after the round-the-world trip of the fleet, and has since been employed as a watchman. Just before his medal came to-day he tripped on a loose stair rod and toppled backward down the steps to his death.

TROOPS FOLLOW REYES

But None of His Pursuers Gets Sight of Elusive General.

Monterrey, Mexico, December 20.—Mounted government troops, moving in groups of twenty or thirty men, and distributed over a wide area, to-day followed the elusive General Bernardo Reyes into the State of Tamaulipas.

Latest reports received at army headquarters are that yesterday Reyes and his staff were on the Vaguera ranch, a part of the Saucedo hacienda, but so far none of his numerous pursuers has sighted him.



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